



St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

Beulah - Dimboola - Hopetoun - Horsham - Kaniva - Minyip - Murtoa - Natimuk
- Nhill - Rainbow - Rupanyup - Warracknabeal

BULLETIN

**THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
3rd NOVEMBER 2024 - YEAR B**

Planned Giving Envelopes

ACTION REQUIRED

Over the coming weeks we will be organising the distribution of the new Planned Giving envelopes. The Stewardship Program (Planned Giving) challenges us all to think and pray about our faith, how we live our faith in our daily lives, and how we come together as a Parish community.

Christian Stewardship is the recognition that everything that we have and everything that we are is a gift from God, freely given to us but held in trust by us - not owned by us - to be used as God would want and to be returned with increase to the Lord. As such, Stewardship is a way of life that is primarily personal and that asks us to examine the way we are living our life, how we are using our God given gifts and talents, and how much of our material 'possessions' we are giving back - to sustain and improve our Parish?

As we have not had a renewal of the Stewardship Program since combining as one Parish, we encourage each family to review & renew their current level of financial support and commitment. All amounts are an active support to our faith community and are greatly appreciated.

Pledges and contributions are kept strictly confidential within the office.

Please update your pledge or request an envelope number via the Parish Office either by phoning **53821155** during opening hours, or email any time convenient at wimmeramallee@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Thankyou. Parish Finance Committee.

~ Direct Debit options are available ~

OFFICE CLOSURE

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on **Tuesday the 5th of November** due to the Melbourne Cup Public Holiday.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 5th November <i>(Office Closed)</i>	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Wednesday 6th November	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Thursday 7th November	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Friday 8th November	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
	6.30pm	Syro-Malabar Rite Mass (Horsham)
Saturday 9th November	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham

Funeral Mass for

Thomas Donald Hassall
St Patricks Catholic Church, Nhill

Wednesday the 6th of November at 1.30pm



CONTACTS

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Parish Office

CLOSED MONDAYS

Office Hours: **TUES - FRI**
9am-12.30pm - 1.30pm-4.00pm
Closed between 12.30pm -1.30pm

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Staff

Olivia & Josh

Please submit notices for our weekly Bulletin to the Parish Office by **C.O.B Thursday**.
Thank you

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Mass Livestreaming

Vigil Mass will be livestreamed from the Horsham Church at 6.30pm Saturday Night and will be available to watch 'live', or for replay viewing at a time convenient.
(Recordings are deleted weekly, and will be available until Friday each week)

YouTube Channel Link:

<https://www.youtube.com/@smjchurchhorsham/streams>

HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER			WARRACKNABEAL LITURGY ROSTER		
2nd & 3rd November	6.30pm Vigil	10.30am Sunday		3rd November Mass 8.30am	10th November Mass 8.30am
Reader	Garry Heinrich	Louise Kemp	Reader	M. Farrell	D. Baxter
Commentator	Emelia Sudholz	Gerard Raven	Prayers	J. McFarlane	D. Baxter
Eucharist Ministers	Geoff Simpson Micky Roberts Cath Taylor	Alison McKinnon Fay Wills Rosie Taylor	Collectors	L. Casey	L. Casey
			Cleaning	M. Gianne	M. Gianne
9th & 10th November	6.30pm Vigil	10.30am Sunday	NHILL LITURGY ROSTER		
Reader	Maree Plazzer	Dianne Noy		3rd November Mass 11am	10th November Mass 11am
Commentator	John Parker	May Rosello	Sacristan	M. Millington	C. Kennedy
Eucharist Ministers	Pat Glaubitz Lesley Price Anthony Amor	Zita Cannane Gerard Raven Nerrida Holland	Reader	C. Kennedy	I. Dart
Projector	Geoff Simpson	Robert Sartori	Collector	R. Picone	R. Picone
Musicians	Chris Robarts	Choir	Music	Paul Ramas	Paul Ramas
Livestream	Robert Sartori	N/A	Cleaning	C. Pilgrim	C. Pilgrim
Welcomers	Judy Bryan Pat Williams	Denise Vallance Helene Bush	HOPETOUN LITURGY ROSTER		
Tea/Coffee After Mass	N/A	Jayson Agustin Janeth, Pam, Ruby, Maria, May		2nd November Vigil 6.30pm	9th November Vigil 6.30pm
Prayers	Anita Masiero & Mary Dalgleish		Reader	Claire White	Coral Cox
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	10th November Jenny Clarke Bernie Lakin Rhonda Tursi	17th November Helen Hunter Margaret Fischer Dianne Quinn	Offertory	Marilyn & Therese	Jan & Allen
			Eucharistic Minister	NA	NA
			Natimuk Mass: TBA		
			Rupanyup Mass: TBA		

Child Safety Standards: St Paul VI Parish
Bob Pritchett is our Safeguarding Officer, Horsham and **Cynthia Maiden**, Hopetoun.

A **Child Safety Policy** and **Code of Conduct** has been adopted for all who work with children and vulnerable adults in the Parish, to ensure the safety of all.

Our Parish seeks to always be a child safe Parish.

HOLY COMMUNION TO SICK, ELDERLY OR HOUSE BOUND

Any family members who are aware of relatives (or friends) in the above situations who would like to receive Holy Communion at their place of residence. Please advise details to our Parish Office at any time. Ministry will be arranged.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES
THIS WEEKEND

1st Sunday of the month: 3rd November 2024

Horsham: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am**
Murtoa: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**
Warracknabeal: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**
Nhill: **Sunday Mass 11am**
Hopetoun: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm**
Rainbow: **Sunday Mass 1pm**
Dimboola: NO LLA
Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am
Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am

Our Parish Finance

For all wishing to support either our Parish or Clergy through online banking transfer:

St Paul VI **Parish** Account (NAB)
BSB: 083-680 Acc. No: 515830337
(Please state envelope number if you have one, and name)

St Paul VI **Presbytery** (Clergy Support) Account (NAB)
BSB: 083-680 Acc. No: 515830345

The option of regular automatic Direct Debit contributions can be arranged by contacting our office.

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES
NEXT WEEKEND

2nd Sunday of the month: 10th November 2024

Horsham: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am**
Hopetoun: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm**
Dimboola: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**
Warracknabeal: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**
Nhill: **Sunday Mass 11am**
Murtoa: Sunday LLA 9.00am
Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am
Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am
Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am

PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS

Jean Irene Hayden, Thomas Hassall

ANNIVERSARIES

Angela Walsh, Jack Nevill, Grace Panozzo,
Kimberley Walker, Hazel Hassall

SICK OR INJURED

Pat Hateley, Ted Haynes, Alex Kavoor, Elliot Pumpa, Kevin Clancy, Jodie White, Bernie Ryan, Brendan McKinnon, Cynthia Maiden, Peter James, Noel Kearns, Patricia Simpson, Frank White, David Gillard, Jason O'Connell, Tim Clancy, Cassie Simpson, Jean Simpson, Adam Cooper



CONFIRMATION

Sunday 3rd November



Washed in the Waters of Baptism.
Anointed with the Oil of Confirmation.
Nourished by the Bread of the Eucharist.

To those who are receiving the sacrament of Confirmation at Sunday's Mass at St Mary's Warracknabeal and at Sunday's Mass at St Patrick's Nhill.

As you receive this Sacrament from Bishop Paul, take time to reflect on the sacrifice and love of Jesus, for you.

Congratulations and may your faith deepen.



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To find out more, visit
[www.catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/
communityfund/offer](http://www.catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/communityfund/offer),

scan the QR code,
or speak to us on 1800 134 135.

*Interest rates subject to change. View current rates on the CDF website.



St Vincent de Paul

A representative of St Vincent de Paul is available to assess and assist cases in **Horsham** on **Mon, Wed and Fri** mornings between 11am - 12noon
Appointments essential - Phone **5381 2371** to book.

Publications Available for Purchase

Publications have been distributed to each church community who have pre-ordered.

We have some copies of **God's Word 2025** which are available **\$20ea**.
Please contact the Parish Office to arrange purchase.

A limited supply of **The Light** for Advent and Christmas daily reflections are also available for **\$8ea** at the Parish Office.

The Columban Calendars are also now available through the Piety store in Horsham after weekend Masses.
\$11ea

Mass to celebrate the 2024 Clergy Jubilarians will be held on Thursday, November 14, 2024 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 5.00pm.

The 2024 clergy Jubilarians are:

50 years – Frs Eric Bryant, Paddy Mugavin & Michael O'Toole
25 years – Fr Ed Moloney

All are welcome to attend.

Ecumenical Prayer Seminar Preparing for Harvest

Saturday 23rd of November
9am - 4pm
Horsham Lutheran Education Centre
(McPherson St, Horsham)

Presenters Ps Matthew & Kathryn Bolte extend their welcome and invite you to join them for a day of faith and discussion.

The event is **FREE** and all are welcome!

Complimentary Tea, Coffee & biscuits will be available
BYO Lunch

For more information or to register please contact
Helen Simmons
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ACTIVITIES IN SMJ CHURCH HORSHAM

Morning Craft Group

The Craft Group gather weekly in the Parish Office meeting room on Wednesdays, 9.30am -11.30am

Choir Practice

2nd Wednesday of the month, 4pm at the Church
Any newcomers always welcome

Men's Fellowship

Breakfast - **3rd Thursday** of the month
7.30am - 8.30am at the Parish Hall. All men welcome.

Meditation Group

The Meditation Group meet weekly on Tuesdays, at 2.00pm in the Church meeting room.

Prayer Group

Will meet on the **1st and 3rd Wednesdays** of each month, at 1.30pm in the church meeting room.



St Mary's Church Warracknabeal
Christmas get-together,
Thursday 5/12/24. Mass 5.30pm



Evening meal at Creekside Hotel 6pm (Library). Names to be listed on form at back of church, or contact 0428627563 (Maureen). Order and pay for own meal and drinks. RSVP 29/11/24.

Everyone welcome.

Sunday Mass

3rd November, 2024

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes.

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed.

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 7:23-28

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

Gospel Acclamation John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 12: 28-34

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

A difficulty with dividing each synoptic gospel into sequential pericopes for a year's reading from January through to November is that the feasts of the Lord's birth and death, along with their preparatory periods, are then always read out of sequence. Mark's account of blind Bartimaeus that was read last Sunday is the immediate prelude to Jesus entering Jerusalem that we read also on Palm Sunday. So from last Sunday the Lectionary leaps over the whole of chapter 11, which includes the account of the cleansing of the temple, itself framed by the story of the fig tree that portends the end. We take up again half way through chapter 12.

Mark's scene for the question about the first or greatest commandment of the Law differs in one significant way from Matthew's (read on the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A) and Luke's (read on the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C). While all three locate it in the midst of conten-

tions with various Jewish parties, Matthew and Luke have it arise as challenge to test Jesus. Mark, in a detail unfortunately omitted from the opening verse in the Lectionary's pericope, has the scribe observe Jesus arguing with the Sadducees and he admires how well Jesus answers them. This context suggests simply that he appreciates what Jesus says, and his question lacks any sense of challenge; he is presented as one honestly seeking an opinion for its hoped for insight. Moreover, after Jesus answers the scribe approvingly repeats it and adds that this double commandment is more important than any holocaust or sacrifice – an observation that would put him at odds also with the Sadducees, a sect associated with the Temple and its priesthood and sacrifices. Jesus in turn notes that the scribe has spoken wisely. We have here in a context of contention a peaceful episode of mutual recognition and appreciation that is quite fitting for the nature of the commandment to love God and others; these two have found a common ground.

By coincidence that gospel episode is linked now in our Lectionary to the Christian rejection of the Temple and its worship as testified to in the second reading, Hebrews 7:23-28. Hebrews does not, however, completely reject priesthood and sacrifice, but rather makes the case for the temporary earthly forms now being replaced by the real thing, Christ the eternal and only sinless priest whose self-offering is therefore incomparably more effective than any of the former dispensation. This association allows us to read the two-fold first of the commandments in a new way: loving the neighbour as one's very self and offering one's whole self in love to God is the sacrifice par excellence and the fulfilment of the Law. This Christ does, and since we too easily fail in it ourselves, it is accomplished for us in him.

In the Eucharist the ordained priest and the people together offer the sacrifice of praise because they are the body of him who offers himself perfectly.

Next Weekend's Readings - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

1st Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16

Response: Praise the Lord, my soul!

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 145:7-10

2nd Reading: Letter to the Hebrews 9:24-28

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44